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# AIRLINE PASSENGER TRAFFIC UP 7.5% IN NOVEMBER

WASHINGTON, D.C., December 23, 1987 — Airline passenger traffic rose 7.5 percent in November, compared to the same month last year, and was up 11.7 percent for the first 11 months of 1987, the Air Transport Association reported today.

Domestic passenger traffic in November increased 4.8 percent. Available seat miles gained 4.1 percent. The load factor was 57.7 percent compared to 57.4 percent for the same month a year ago.

International passenger traffic of U.S. airlines in November rose 20.4 percent. Available seat miles were up 13.2 percent, and the load factor was 58.4 percent, up from 54.9 percent in November, 1986.

For the first 11 months of 1987, domestic passenger traffic was up 8.7 percent, and available seat miles increased 6.6 percent. The load factor was 62.2 percent compared to 61.0 percent for the same period last year.

International passenger traffic in the first 11 months gained 25.1 percent. Available seat miles were up 11.3 percent, and the load factor was 66.1 percent up from 58.8 percent for the first 11 months of 1986.

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PRELIMINARY PASSENGER TRAFFIC STATISTICS
U.S. SCHEDULED AIRLINE INDUSTRY

NOVEMBER 1987 - 1986

| | YEAR | RPMs (000) | ASMs (000) | LOAD FACTOR (%) | YEAR TO DATE RPMs (000) | YEAR TO DATE ASMs (000) | YEAR TO DATE LOAD FACTOR (%) |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| DOMESTIC | 1987 | 23,570,144 | 40,820,471 | 57.7 | 289,122,452 | 465,137,288 | 62.2 |
| | 1986 | 22,488,129 | 39,199,383 | 57.4 | 265,895,290 | 436,180,142 | 61.0 |
| PERCENT CHANGE | | 4.8 | 4.1 | | 8.7 | 6.6 | |
| INTERNATIONAL | 1987 | 5,530,704 | 9,476,478 | 58.4 | 72,463,294 | 109,696,394 | 66.1 |
| | 1986 | 4,594,697 | 8,368,759 | 54.9 | 57,940,922 | 98,580,845 | 58.8 |
| PERCENT CHANGE | | 20.4 | 13.2 | | 25.1 | 11.3 | |
| TOTAL | 1987 | 29,100,848 | 50,296,949 | 57.9 | 361,585,746 | 574.833,682 | 62.9 |
| | 1986 | 27,082,826 | 47,568,142 | 56.9 | 323,836,212 | 534,760,987 | 60.6 |
| PERCENT CHANGE | | 7.5 | 5.7 | | 11.7 | 7.5 | |

CARRIERS INCLUDED: AMERICAN, CONTINENTAL, DELTA, EASTERN, NORTHWEST, PAN AM, PIEDMONT, TRANS WORLD, UNITED, USAIR, WESTERN, AIRCAL, ALASKA, ALOHA, BRANIFF, HAWAIIAN, JET AMERICA, MIDWAY, PSA, SOUTHWEST AND TRANSTAR.